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THURSDAY, MAY 16 1912. CLIMBING ON THE BANDWAGON.

We shall observe—are observing now, day by day-with acute interest the gymnastics incident to the desperate scramble of local contemporaries for the Presidential bandwagon

The car steps are pretty high, and in the case of the Star, hobble-skirted with the tradition that it must always be seen in the real procession, the display of hosiery and petticoats incident to the climb is getting something shocking.

Still, it's so funny that one can't help looking.

"THE EIGHT LITTLE GOVERNORS."

We hear less of persiflage about the "eight little governors." They don't look so little.

ity, this seems an appropriate time for their friends civil service employes. to recall that they were governors-Johnson of California, Vessey of South Dakota,

Stubbs of Kansas, Glasscock, of West Va., Aldrich of Nebraska,

Osborn of Michigan, Bass of New Hampshire. Quite a sizable bunch they appear, today!

Their detractors having discontinued the public-

LOCAL POSTAL SAVINGS.

Owing to the popularity of the postal savings bank department at the Washington Postoffice, the a stake in the community, always in light marching Postmaster General has decided to install five other postal savings banks at various substations of the local Postoffice. The records show that the one bank now in operation now has approximately \$100, 000. Although in operation but a few months and confined to a limited number of offices the postal savings department of the Government now has on deposit over \$16,000,000. This accumulation has not been at the expense of the ordinary savings bank or other banking institutions.

It represents a partial amount of the money that has been hidden away. This increase in the amount of available currency augurs well for the financial INDIVIDUAL CITIZEN IN WASHINGTON TO future of the nation. It is a great potential preventive of a financial stringency due to panics. If people can be persuaded to take money out of tea-cups, tin-cans and old socks, where they have been keeping it because of a childish distrust of banks, and e it in the hands of the Government savings banks, it stands to reason that in event of a panic, money now in banks instead of being checked out being, to the postal savings banks, where it will prove the saving element during a financial stress.

AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION.

The Southern members of the House are entitled to honorable distinction for letting the direct Senatorial election resolution finally pass with such an emphatic majority. It will be the stronger before the country and the legislatures.

It is safe to say that if a nation-wide plebiscite could be taken, more than 90 per cent would tavor direct Senatorial elections. Yet there is real doubt been made by the politicians. There has been the was made whether the amendment will get the indorsements of the necessary number of legislatures. The processes of pigeonholing, of packed committees set up in the people were not for it. dark for special purposes, of dodging action, of dividing responsibility—all these are so well understood that it is not needful to recount them.

There is already pending before the legislatures the proposal for an income tax amendment, and it is yet uncertain, after three years, whether it will be adopted. As to the attitude of the people toward it, there is no more uncertainty than in the case of direct elections. But the machinery of constitutional amendment is so complicated, lends itself so readily to opposition, that it is become doubtful whether our Constitution can be amended at all. It is perfectly certain that amendment is impossible save as to some proposition on which there is practically unanimous demand for the change.

The disposition to prevent the people getting anything they want, in the way of constitutional revisien, is going to react on the tories. It is safe to say that if a determined effort is made now to prevent the legislatures accepting the direct elections amendment, and if the fight for the income tax measure fails for another year, there will be a serious effort to secure a constitutional convention, through direct action of the people upon the State legislatures. That would mean a general revision of the Constitutionthe last thing toryism desires.

DEGENERACY OF DETECTIVE SKILL.

Once more it is borne in upon the student of current affairs that the good old days of the pussyfooted detective who had his man in the booby-hatch ing the country has faded. before the crime was cold have passed away in very truth. How it must have grieved the spirit of to give their Government back into the hands of Vidocq, for example, to have looked down upon the the people. He has won on that promise, and he Vidocq, for example, to have looked down upon the recent man hunts in Paris. Flooding a province to drown a rat was as nothing to the cannonade and conflagration to which M. Lepine, chief of the Paris police, has recently been resorting in order to cappolice, has recently been resorting in order to cappolice. The has wold and back of him, in the White House, as they stood back of him, in the White House, as they stood back of him, in the White House, as they stood back of him, in the White House, as they stood back of him, in the White House, as they stood back of him, in the White House, as they stood back of him, in the White House, as they stood back of him, in the White House, as they stood back of him, in the White House, as they stood back of him, in the White House, as they stood back of him, in the Whit

weeks ago that horse, foot, and dragoons turned out on to capture Bonnot and his pal. By the long and judicious use of melinite, cordite, and dynamite the army finally succeeded in inflicting fatal wounds upon Bonnot and driving his pal to suicide. The thousands of innocent bystanders who escaped without injury congested traffic getting home after the war was over.

The gay capital had scarcely ceased to discuss the great event when the reserves were called out again to take two more bandits. The same proceeding was repeated. After destroying a city block with high explosives the quarry was captured, full

of fatal wounds. How different it was in the dear old days of the thieftakers whose cunning and skill delighted the youthful mind. Those adventures rank among the most imperishable of our literature. Now, if it had savings Bank, been Jonathan Wilde, for example, or any of the Smith, resigned, in the near future. subtle prototypes of Hawkshaw, the coils would have tional Metropolitan Bank for twelve been wound so silently about the offenders that they years, resigning January, 1909. Prior would not have had time to utter a few dramatic institution he was at the head of the Coises! coises!" before the sleuth slipped the wrist- Columbia National Bank. He is interlets on his man and marched him to Newgate or the of the city, and less than a year ago, prefecture. There was no thundering like the battle with S. W. Woodward, M. A. Winter, of Prague to bag a weasel.

Of course, if M. Lepine merely wishes to amuse ings Bank. the French capital, that is one thing. But it grates upon the nerves of the old school, who grew up on the thrills furnished by the old-time detectives whose tors of the institution to go into liquidaglory has departed.

HERE IS SOME REAL WORK FOR CHAM- and make necessary arrangements for BER OF COMMERCE.

There is pending in Congress a measure, which has passed one branch and has powerful support in the other, to reduce to five years the tenure of all positions in the civil service.

Should this measure pass it would end possibility of permanent residence in Washington by

It would make home ownership among the 35,000 civil service people in this town utterly impossible.

It would make Washington the greatest aggregation of boarding houses on earth, occupied by young men and women holding temporary places, unwilling to regard themselves as citizens, realizing that they were only wayfarers, not daring to acquire order, because always anticipating the time when they must give up their desks to others who, in turn, would be similarly temporary sojourners-never

That legislation, should it pass, would end the business of home-buying in Washington so far as the Government employes are concerned.

HERE IS REAL OPPORTUNITY FOR THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, FOR EVERY OTHER BUSINESS ORGANIZATION, AND FOR EVERY DO SOME REAL WORK IN DEFEATING LEGIS-LATION FATAL TO THE INTERESTS OF THE CITY AND ITS MERCHANTS.

THE END OF THE CONTEST.

Colonel Roosevelt, whose skill as a politician and if all shippers are not given ac needs no testimonials, has more actual, worth-while, and withdrawn from circulation—thus aggravating hard-pan information about how he stands with the conditions-will simply be transferred, for the time delegates to the Chicago convention than any other available docks at the same rates. man on earth. It's the way he does his politics.

> When, therefore, the colonel formally announces Commission in the complaint of the that he knows he has the Chicago convention sur-rounded, and will be nominated on the first ballot was written by Chairman Lane, and it may be, as it is, accepted as representing the fullest information and the most accurate judgment.

information and the most accurate judgment.

The contest is ended. It is the first one since drew Jackson in which such a striking demonstrance in has been given of the people's capacity, once Andrew Jackson in which such a striking demonstra-Andrew Jackson in which such a striking demonstration has been given of the people's capacity, once aroused, to take charge and run things their own way. The nominations, generally speaking, have been made by the politicians. There has been the pleasant rule that a President was entitled to a second term. That rule has been smashed, because the term. That rule has been smashed, because the

There has been a tradition, now exploded, that Washington was opposed on principle to a third term for any man, and that the country wouldn't give any 4, M. M.; Hirman, No. 10, M. M.; La man a third term.

The tradition has been brushed aside by the development of the fact that Washington never entertained any such notion, while the superstition has gone the way of other dogmas that never had any excuse for common acceptance.

Roosevelt became a candidate when almost everybody else thought it was too late for him to win. He threw himself into the fight with the demand that the people be given a chance to settle the issue. He demanded that the popular primary be employed in making the nomination, and his appeal brought such response that a dozen States at length lined up in favor of this plan.

That was the coup that won. The primary States became a battery of megaphones through which the voice of the people made itself heard. It spoke with no uncertainty. It wanted Roosevelt. Every successive victory for him strengthened the purpose of the people and weakened the purpose of the bosses. The people would not be denied; the machines went crashing down, one after another, in defeat, and in the last three weeks it has been perfectly plain that nothing could stand before the onslaught of popular insistence.

Just in proportion as Roosevelt's prospect of nomination has improved, Democratic hope of carry-

Roosevelt has made his campaign on the promise

TO BE PRESIDENT OF SAVINGS BANK

eteran Official Will Succeed Quincy Smith As Head of the Union.

E. Southard Parker, a veteran banker, will become president of the Union Mr. Parker was president of the Na-

cantile Bank, then the Provident Sav-Stockholders of the Mercantile Bank will meet in special session tomorrow and approve a resolution of the direction, selling their assets and good will to the Union Savings Bank. The directors will meet immediately thereafter the consummation of the sale, and on May 22, a representative of the bank in

and others, acquired control of the Mer-

Arizona, to the State Par value of the shares of the Mercantile National is \$10. It is generally believed the stock will liquidate at this price, although a sale yesterday at 10% might indicate a fractional advance over this figure.

It is the intention of the interests controlling the Union Savings Bank to make it a commercial institution, competing with other banks for loans and deposits and general commercial busideposits and general commercial busi-ness, while still retaining the savings bank features.

C. L. Bowman, cashier of the Mer-cantile Bank, will, in all probability become treasurer of the Union Savings The officers of the Mercantile Bank are M. A. Winter, president; R. L. Monta-gue, second vice-president; D. W. Thayer, secretary; C. L. Bowman, cashier; H. W. Griffith, assistant cashier; A. E. L. Leckie, general

counsel.

It is within the probabilities that the Union Savings Bank will be able to hold a large part of the business of the Mercantile. There will be no additional capital issued by the Union Savings, the present capitalization of the deemed sufficient for the deemed sufficient for the country of the deemed sufficient for the country of the deemed sufficient for the country of Savings, the present capitalization, \$200,000, being deemed sufficient for the present. The bank has over \$1,500,000 deposits, which with the deposits from the Mercantile will give the bank not far from \$1,750,000 deposits. The entire transaction will probably be closed before the end of the presen

RAILROADS' DUTY TO USE ALL DOCKS

Important Ruling Made by Interstate Commerce Commission

A railroad wharf, to which the roads' tariffs offer delivery and at servéd, becomes a public terminal, cess to it by the boats they choose to employ, it becomes the duty of the railroad to make delivery at other A decision to this effect was ren-dered by the Interstate Commerce is of sweeping importance to ommercial interests and the railroads

What's on the Program in Washington Today

4, M. M.; Hirman, No. 10, M. M.; La Fayette, No. 19, social evening; Wil-liam R. Singleton, No. 30, F. C. Royal Arch Chapter—Capitol, No. 11, R. A. Royal and Select Masters— Adoniram Council, No. 2, degrees. Eastern Star-Esther Chapter, No. 5.
The following I. O. O. F. lodges will
meet tonight: Columbia, No. 10; Excelsior, No. 17, and Salem, No. 22, Franklin Lodge, No. 2,

Meeting of Franklin Lodge, No. 2, K. of P., tonight. The following K. O. T. M. tents will meet tonight: District, No. 6, regular review, Mariners' Temple. Seventh K. of P., tonight.
The following K. O. T. M. tents will meet tonight: District, No. 6, regular review, Mariners' Temple, Seventh street southwest; Metropolitan, No. 1°, regular review, Pythian Temple; Georgetown, No. 6, regular review, Wisconsin avenue and M street, Meeting of National Circle, No. 621, P. H. C. Royal Arcanum Hall, tonight. Meeting of National Circle, No. 621, 1 H. C., Royal Arcanum Hall, tonight. Inaugural meeting of the Washington Hunt and Riding Club, the Benning

race track, senefit performance by the pupils of Miss Thompson, St. Andrew's Parish Hall, Fourteenth and Corcoran streets, 8 p. m.
Ascension Day services, Knights Templar of the District of Columbia, Congress Street Methodist Protestant Church, Thirty-first and M streets to-

night.
Fourteenth muster anniversary meeting of Company I, First District Volunteers, Eagles' Hall, Sixth and E streets, 7:30 p. m.
Closing meeting of the Men's Temple Club, Eighth Street Temple, 8 p. m.
Address, "Insolvency and Bankruptcy," by E. C. Brandenburg, before the Washington Chapter, American Institute of Banking, 1214 F street northwest, 8 p. m. west, 8 p. m.

Amusements. Belasco—"If I Were King," 8:15 p. m. Columbia—"The Dawn of a Tomor-row," 2:15 and 8:15 p. m. National—"Lohengrin," 8:15 p. m. row," 2:15 and 8:15 p. m. National—"Lohengrin," 8:15 p. m. Poll's—"Madame X," 2:15 and 8:16 p. m. Academy—Vaudeville, 1:30, 3, 7:20, and 9 p. m. Majestic-Vaudeville, 1:30, 3, 7:30, and

RED MEN ON VISIT TO MOUNT VERNON

Hampton, Va., Chosen As Next Place of Meeting-General Notes About Persons and Affairs of Alexandria.

In the Mail Bag

Readers of The Times are invited to use this department as their

own-to write freely and frankly with the assurance that no letter

not objectionable in language will be denied publication. Letters must

not, however exceed 250 words in length, and must be written only

on one side of the paper. Letters must bear the names and addresses

of the writers as evidence of good faith, but the names will not be

made public without the consent of the contributors. Address MAIL

WASHINGTON TIMES BUREAU, ALEXANDRIA, VA., MAY 16. After selecting Hampton, Va., as the next place for their meeting, the an-

nual session of the Improved Order of Red Men and Degree of Pocohontas was brought to a close in the Young succeeding E. Quincy People's building this morning. This afternoon the visitors were conveyed in special trains to the home of Washington at Mt. Vernon. At the election held yesterday after

noon, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Frank J. Korte, great prophet, Roanoke; George W. Whitely, great sachem, Newport News; Harry Cuthriell, great senior sagamore, Portsmouth; J. Benjamin Moore, junior grand sagamore; F. H. Couch, great chief of records, Hampton; Richard W. Jones, great keeper of wampum; Joseph E. Powell, great trustee (three-year term), Richmond. For the Degree of Pocohontas, the following officers were elected: Mrs. Laura J. Hettrick, great pocohontas, Roanoke; Mrs. Katherine Miller, great Winonah, Phoebus; Mrs. H. Calyer, great Minnehaha, Coteage; Mrs. D. grand keeper of records, Portsmouth Mrs. Dora Gienn, grand keeper of wam-Arizona will ratify the action and surpum, Richmond. The newly elected of-ficers were installed this morning by John W. Cherry, of Norfolk, past grand inconhee of the United States. render the charter, under the laws of

> Arthur Thomas was arrested at the orfolk Steamboat Company's wharf Arthur Thomas was arrested at the Norfolk Steamboat Company's wharf last night, just after the arrival of the boat from Washington. He had a knife opened in his hand, and was approaching C. W. Wattles, local agent, at the time. Mr. Wattles stated to Justice Caton in police court this morning that the man had attempted to board the boat, before a landing had been made. He warned him back, and a few moments later was startled by a cry from

> > BAG EDITOR OF THE TIMES.

Some honest, but, I believe, misguided

people uphold the liquor traffic and

urge as their reason for doing so that

by liquor it would seem that no one ought to want the "personal liberty" to uphold a traffic that produces such re-

give it to others, then why not opium or

any other debasing commodity to rob men of their self-respect, their health, and their usefulness as members of society. FRANK G. CAMPBELL.

Indorses The Times and Going to do

In Answer to George A. Mills' State-

Cox's Overthrow in Cincinnati.

Upon what facts this correspondent

bases his statement that President Taft

was responsible for George B. Cox's

cites Mr. Taft's Akron speech of 1905,

and claims this speech was responsible

for Cox's overthrow because of the President's fearless attack, (as he terms it), upon Cox. Now, the truth of the matter is this:

speech in his Cincinnati newspaper.

Let us grant that these four lines of Mr. Taft were most bitter in their denunciation of Boss Cox. But could they have caused Cox much harm? Of course not, simply because at that time Cox was the still all powerful Cox, and besides Mr. Taft was not then President nor did his actions and utterances.

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have as much weight then as they

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to the Editor of THE TIMES:

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Taft Was Responsible For Boss

a Little Missionary Work.

To the Editor of THE TIMES:

sults as those. If a man's personal li-erty demands that he be permitted get whisky when he wants it and

Captain Posey on the bridge to look out. Turning, he grabbed the man by the arm, and the officer who came up at that moment placed him under ar-

torney Brumback, this morning attempted to prove that no assault was intended upon Wattles. The justice imposed a fine of \$20, to which the attorney noted an appeal. Thomas was later released on bond.

Following an illness of nearly a year's duration, Miss Ida Cox died at her home, 918 King street, at 6 o'clock this morning. She was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Cox, and leaves the following brothers and sisters: Robert H., Frank, William, Ella, May, and Caroline Cox, Mrs. Alice Poss, Mrs. Rosa Murphy, and Mrs. Alice Poss, of Baltimore. The arrangements for the funeral have not yet been made. Baltimore. The arrangements for the funeral have not yet been made.

Announcement was made late yester-day afternoon of the sale of Hotel Fleischmann, located on Royal street, between King and Prince streets, to Alva Aerie, No. 571, Fraternal Order of Eagles. The sale was consummated by John D. Normoyie, acting for Mrs. Virginia Stewart, of Washington. The building will be remodeled and used for club purposes by the order.

The military cap, such as is worn by Washington policemen, was adopted for the use of the Alexandria force, at last night's meeting of the board of police commissioners. The report of Chief of Police Goods was also read, showing that 126 prisoners had been arrested in the past month.

A special meeting of Fitzgerald Council, Knights of Columbus, will be held Sunday morning for the purpose of arranging for the attendance of the members of that order at the unveiling of the Columbus statute in Washington on June 8. June 8.

The annual May dance of Alexandria Lodge of Elks was held last night. Many Washingtonians attended.

dress, when Cox was in full power, ther why did Mr. Taft, as President, make a special trip to Cincinnati last year jus-at the time when Cox was very rapidly

ended in Cox's complete overthrow at the time Hunt was elected mayor. It was a great victory for Hunt and the

people, and it was even greater because he and his entire ticket was elected in

entire ticket. Now, in the face of these facts, how

Catherine.

who "crossed the bar" March 8, 1913.

The cortege passed through the noisy stree

With curtains drawn, while the horses' fee Came to my ear with a muffled beat.

The day was gloomy, and chill, and bare,

With no hint of spring in the cold, keen air,

Tho' she loved the sunshine and roses fair

Her face was white as the lilies pressed

In the small cold hand o'er the pulseles

For the weary brain had at last found rest

That true love threw 'round her onward way,

But she came of a serong and sturdy race

In a dreamless sleep.

For Fate soon shadowed each sunny ray

And left has to weep

In the world of men

With tongue er pen-

But each rosy dawn and each starry night Gave to her eyes more wistful light. And her eager face grew strangely bright As she gazed afar.

She culled life's roses in early May,

So still she lay.

In an olden day.

breast.

of President Taft's vote for Cox's

CAPTAIN BURDETTE MAKES HIGH SCORE IN SHOOTING TESTS

West Virginian Scores 296 Out of 300 With New Olympic Target.

Shooting at an Olympic target, which is smaller than a regular army target, Capt. C. L. Burdette, of the West Virginia militia, made a score of 296 out of a possible 300, at the United States Marine Corps range at Winthrop, Md.

This is the best score thus far made at the tests now being held to select a national team to represent this country at the Olympic games at Stock

There are forty-two men competing, of whom seventeen are militiamen, and and Marine Corps. No civilians are entered in the try-outs. Captain Burdette's performance, while it does not break any records, is considered good enough to insure him a place on the American team, and is considered better than many scores made in a regular army shoot

Another competitor, who is making a good showing is Sergeant Eushner, of the Seventy-fourth Regiment. York National Guard; Private Fehr, of the First Regiment, District of Columbia National Guard, has surprised many of the officers at the range by marksmanship.

Rain today stopped the competition. but shooting will be resumed tomorrow. and will continue until Monday.

State militias are represented as follows: West Virginia, 2; Iowa, 3; Wisconsin, 1; Indiana, 1; New York, 5; Maine, 2; New Jersey, 2, and District of Columbia, I.

Lieutenant Commander Horace Manning, U. S. N., is to be captain of the American team, which will journey to Stockholm in a few weeks, and is in charge of recruiting.

Friends School to Graduate Twelve

Twelve graduates of the Friends School will receive their diplomas tonorrow evening from the hands of Principal Thomas W. Sidwell. The exercises will be held at the Friends Meeting House, 1811 I street northwest. Songs by the schools and an address by the Rev. Samuel H. Woodrow, D. D., pastor of the First Congregational Church, are the principal parts of the program for the exercises. The graduates of the Friends School this year are James W. Osgood, Edward T. Miller, Anne J. Blackwood, William L. Kenly, Katherine Ainsiee, Sylvia C. Carter, Katherine Ladd, Marshall Low, Robert W. Patterson, Lena Ramsay, Ruth Roberts, and Henry R. Swartzell. Thinks Personal Liberty Not a Factor have now or have had in the past three-and-a-half years. Furthermore, if Mr. Taft had been sincere in his attack of four lines upon Cox in his akron ad-

Secretary Knox to Be

rtant Ruling Made by Intertic Commerce Commission

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Left of the shipping public is becomes a public terminal to the commerce of the shipping public is becomes a public terminal to provide the country were pair there also not the case by any means that was not the case by any means that the poor houses, insane asylums, and penitentiaries of the country were pair there when Cox was very rapidly losing ground and there cast his vote of or the other and solid ticket of George B. Cox? If Cox had been opposed by men as bad or notorious as himself, there might possibly have been some excuse for the President's action, but no, that was not the case by any means. On the other hand Cox was opposed by a sterling type of a young man named that the other hand cox was opposed by a sterling type of a young man named at strong band of progressives.

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Lawyers Seeks Fees From Chinese Fund

Now, in the face of these facts, how can anybody, especially one who claims to be familiar with Ohio politics make such a ridiculous statement to the effect that President Taft was responsible for Cox's overthrow. Mayor Hunt and that noble little group of honest and sincere progressives are the parties that are solely responsible for the downfall and complete overthrow of George B. Cox, and not President Taft, as our learned correspondent would have us believe.

CHARLES DE SALES WHEELER. Claims aggregating several hundred thousand dollars against the Chinese indemnity fund in the shape of fees alleged to be due them by attorneys caused a sharp discussion in the Senate Foreign Relations Committee yester-day. Most of the claims are made by lawyers in Washington. One of the claimants is former Senator William E. handler In Memory of Catherine Francis Cavanagh

The committee took no action on the matter, and is divided in opinion as to what should be done. One member of committee attacked the claims as

Here's a Book

Just as scientifically and systematically as the stage manager goes about staging a play, has Levoy Scott taken up the task of putting in novel form his romance of crooked business, which he has launched under the title of "The Counsel for the Defense.' Many years ago when printing was yet in its infancy, and books appeared almost as infrequently us Halley's comet, some one declared that fictional productions were nothing less than a commercial Where she wrought with matchless skill and proposition: that the author wrote them for money, and the purchaser paid money for them, believing that he would o they called her great but weak and small, ife girded her 'round like a heavy pall, hough her brave heart uttered no longing call receive in return enough surcease from worldly cares while perusing them, to repay for all expenditures. Leroy Scott wrote his latest book with this idea foremost in his imaginative mind. Open the book, and the first thing one sees after the frontispiece and the title page. is the "caste." Contrary to any opinion one muy hold that such a thing might She listened to hear the sunset bell.

But ere it could peal its rhythmic knell

She smiled, and murmured her last farewell,

Ere she crossed the bar.

—Bettie Houston Littlepage. spoll the excitement of reading the book, as an insight as to what is to occur later on may be deduced, the idea is an exceptionally good one in this instance. You find yourself expecting to meet, face to face, some person whose name is mentioned in the "caste" as each page is turned.

Politics and big business is the theme of Mr. Scott's novel. He knows how to tell a story in the most interesting way, and has seen to it that interest does not lag throughout the entire volume. An aged and respectable citizen of a town has been accused of bribetaking by the political "ring." His daughter, a fair young Portia, takes up the task in defending him. It is her first case. The other lawyers of the town are "fixed" and refuse to give the young woman and refuse to give the young woman legal advice. In spite of this, she un-covers a mass of evidence woven falsely around her father, shows that he is the victim of conspiracy, and eventually has him cleared of all charges. Throughout the course of events, newspaper reporters, editors, and owners, policemen and politicians, appear, and help enliven the plot. Journalism, jurisprudence, and romance all are woven together in an interesting

way, to the very end.

"The Counsel for the Defense," by
LeRoy Scott, is published by the
Doubleday-Page Company, Garden City.
N. Y.

ARMY AND NAVY ORDERS

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ARMY.

econd Lieutenant LEWIS C. ROCKWELL, Tenth Infantry, detailed for
aviation duty with the Signal Corps,
College Park, Md.
irst Lieutenant JAMES P. CASTLEMAN, Tenth Cavalry, detailed as
professor of military science and tactics at the Georgia Military Academy, College Park, Ga., August 31,
1912.

NAVY. Captain J. E. CRAVEN, to Naval War College. Commander G. H. BURRAGE, detached command Albatross, to Naval War

Lieutenant W. E. EBERLE, detached Mayflower; home, wait orders. Ensign R. G. HAXTON, to Asiatic sta-Ensign A. H. DOUGLAS, detached New

Ensign A. H. DOUGLAS, detached New Hampshire, to Mayflower. Ensign P. H. BASTEDO, detached Dolphin, to Utah. Ensign H. B. LE BOURGEOIS, detached Kansas, to Dolphin. Surgeon J. J. SNYDER, to receiving ship at Philadelphia,

MOVEMENTS OF VESSELS. Arrived-Mississippi at Provincetown;

Albany at Chefoo. Sailed-Brutus from Key West for Norfolk: Dixle from New York yard for Newport: Hecto: from Hampton Roads for Provincetown: Washing-ton from Portsmouth, N. H., for Provincetown: Monaghan from Bosten for Newport: Amphritite from Memphis for Vicksburg.